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SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
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REDUCTION IN GRANTS TO NGOS FOR HANDICAPPED PERSONS
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken a decision to cut down the grants provided to the NGOs for implementation of schemes related to handicapped persons;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether there is any proposal to review the decision in view of the financial crunch and hardships faced by these NGOs running institutes for handicapped persons; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) & (b) It has been decided that a 5% cut on grant in aid will be imposed, at two year intervals, on those NGOs who have drawn grants from the Ministry for over seven years. However, projects running in rural areas have been exempted. The decision has been taken to gradually make the existing NGOs self-reliant and to encourage new NGOs in unserved areas.

(c) No Sir.

(d) Does not arise.